Minutes
Faculty Senate Oversight Committee
November 29, 2007
WSTC 300C Conference Room

Present: Darveau, Frickel, Hansen, McCarty, Trewin

Meeting called to order at 3:40 p.m.

The committee discussed several wording changes to the Faculty Senate Constitution/Bylaws. The specific wording changes will be distributed in detail at the December Senate meeting.

1. Revise to eliminate redundant language regarding terms of office for faculty members of Faculty Senate Standing Committees.

2. Insert language clarifying the terms of office and appointment of student members of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

3. Change inconsistent references such as the ones that appear in By-Laws Article VI.B. where “See By-Laws, Article IV.C.” should be changed to “See By-Laws, Article IV.B.1. and B.2.” since Article IV.C. does not exist. Similarly, By-Laws Article VI.C. should be changed to “See By-Laws, Article IV.B.3”.

4. Update By-Laws membership composition language and details for Faculty Senate Standing Committees;

Regarding the Academic Affairs Committee (By-Laws Article VII.B.)
- Change the “Assistant Vice Chancellor of Information Technology” to the "Chief Academic Affairs Officer".

Regarding the Academic Information Technology Committee (By-Laws Article VII.D.)
- Change the “Assistant Vice Chancellor of Information Technology” to the "Chief Information Technology Officer".
- Change the “Director of Libraries” to “Dean of Libraries”.

Regarding the Academic Information Technology Committee (By-Laws Article VII.D.)
- Change the “Student Activities Council” to “Lopers Programming and Activities Council”.

Regarding the Continuing Education Advisory Committee (By-Laws Article VII.G.):
- Remove the Rural Health Education Distance Learning Research Center representative from the committee membership list and change the total committee membership number from 10 to 9.
- Change the “Dean of Students” to “Dean of Student Life”.
- Since the committee is a Faculty Senate Standing Committee and no other Standing Committee is designated as advisory--Remove “Advisory” from the committee’s name and, if the committee is no longer acting in an advisory capacity, make the representative from the office in charge of Continuing Education a voting member by removing the ex-officio status, non-voting status.
Regarding the Library Committee composition (By-Laws Article VII.J.):
• Change the “Director of Libraries” to “Dean of Libraries”.
• Remove the reference to both the Director of Academic Computing and the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Information Technology and since they are the same position, designate the one committee member from that area of the Administration to be “the Chief Information Technology Officer or representative” (with this change the committee totals 8 members as is currently written).

Regarding the Student Affairs Committee (By-Laws Article VII.M.)
• Change the “Chief Student Affairs Officer” to “Dean of Student Life”.
• Change the five student member qualifications to one graduate student and one student from each of the undergraduate colleges.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Frickel.